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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed on April 18, 2003. No fee is due. However, in the event this paper is not timely filed, then this paper is a petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees which may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

In the amendment to the last paragraph of claim 1, the "predetermined period" phrase comes from claim 3 and "electron beam scanning time" from claim 11.

In the specification, line 16 of page 13 is corrected to read "t1 is [1/8383608] (sec)" so that it cannot incorrectly be read as "t1 is 1/[8383608 (sec)]." Also, equation 1 is corrected to read "FOV₁" instead of "FOV."

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